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In re the Application of:

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DELIVERY CATHETER MEMBER WITH A
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated June 24, 2002, please amend the above
identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims:

17. A medical device delivery system for a self-expanding stent comprising:
- an outer sheath comprising an elongated tubular body and a distal section;
- said sheath comprising an inner Teflon layer having stainless steel braiding
disposed thereon, and a coating applied over and bonded to the braiding with the
coating of said distal section formed from a light transmissive material;
- an inner shaft located coaxially within said outer sheath, said shaft having a distal
end and a proximal end;

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